

## Memorandum

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**Subject:** Temporary Fiber Roll Quality Standards

California Department of Agriculture's Division of Measurement Standard requires temporary fiber rolls to be labeled. Labels must be accurate and must include the following information:

- **Identity:** The usual or common name of the commodity in the package.
- **Responsibility:** The name and address of the company or individual responsible for the package and its contents.
- **Content:** Information that serves as a material list and includes weight, and other dimensions.

The absence of labels or erroneous labels on fiber rolls should be reported to the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Division of Measurement Standards for enforcement. The division contacts are Dennis Gorman at (916) 229-3071 or Ken Lake at (916) 229-3047.

When fiber rolls (Straw Wattles) are used on a project, the resident engineer must ensure that the fiber rolls meet the requirements of special provision 07-420\_A06-18-03, "Temporary Fiber Roll" and the *Construction Site Best Management Practices (BMPs) Manual*. Of particular concern are the material content, weight, and dimensional properties of temporary fiber rolls.

Contractors must comply with the requirements of the contract rather than labels to supply temporary fiber rolls. Some manufacturers of fiber rolls have labeled their product as meeting the contract requirements when they may not. An example of an out-of-compliance label is attached.

If noncompliant fiber rolls have been used on a project, they must be removed from the work unless the following criteria are met:

- The resident engineer determines the fiber rolls are suitable for the use intended.
- The contractor and resident engineer agree to a negotiated administration deduction to the contract price of the fiber rolls used in the work.

If you have any questions regarding this construction procedures directive, please call Michael Kissel, Chief, Office of Contract Administration, Division of Construction at (916) 654-2467.

Attachment